

# **In the Aftermath of GDPR, California Passes Consumer Privacy Act of 2018**

Software companies are still taking steps to comply with the European Union's General Data Privacy Regulation ("GDPR"), which just recently went into effect, but they now are facing the prospect of having to comply with a law closer to home: California's New Consumer Privacy Act of 2018. The Silicon Valley Software Law Blog discusses this development at the following blogpost:

<http://www.siliconvalleysoftwarelaw.com/in-aftermath-of-gdpr-california-passes-consumer-privacy-act-of-2018/>

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# **California Supreme Court Ruling To Have Long Term Impact on Silicon Valley Reliance on Gig Workers**

If your Silicon Valley company relies on Gig workers as part of its business model, then the California Supreme Court's ruling is likely to have significant consequences for your business. The Silicon Valley Software Law Blog discusses this ruling at the following blogpost:

<http://www.siliconvalleysoftwarelaw.com/california-supreme-court-strikes-blow-to-software-industry-reliance-on-gig-workers/>

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# **California Contemplates Passage of State Net Neutrality Bill**

With the impending repeal of net neutrality at the federal level, California is currently considering the passage of a net neutrality bill to restore net neutrality at the statewide level. The Silicon Valley Software Law Blog discusses the proposed bill at the following blogpost:

<http://www.siliconvalleysoftwarelaw.com/california-to-consider-bill-that-restores-net-neutrality/>

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# **European Court to Hear Challenge to Privacy Shield: Will the Framework Survive Court Review?**

If your software company has pursued Privacy Shield certification and is relying on the certification to comply with EU data privacy regulations, then you will be interested to know that a challenge to the framework is to be heard by a European High Court. The Silicon Valley Software Law Blog has addressed this development and what it may mean for the Privacy Shield framework in the following blog post:

<http://www.siliconvalleysoftwarelaw.com/irish-court-has-referred-case-to-european-court-which-challenges-privacy-shield-will-the-eu-u-s-privacy-shield-framework-withstand-scrutiny-by-the-european-high-court/>

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## **What Software Companies Need to Know about the GDPR**

The European Union's General Data Protection Regulation (the "GDPR") will go into effect on May 25, 2018. In case you are not up to speed on the law already, what do you need to know about it before it goes into effect? The Silicon Valley Software Law Blog addressed the highlights of the regulation in the following blogpost

[:http://www.siliconvalleysoftwarelaw.com/what-software-companies-need-to-know-about-the-eu-general-data-protection-regulation/](http://www.siliconvalleysoftwarelaw.com/what-software-companies-need-to-know-about-the-eu-general-data-protection-regulation/)

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## **Six Signs You Are Reviewing a Poorly Written Software Contract**

How do you identify a poorly written software contract, whether it is supposed to be a software license, a SaaS contract, or another type of agreement? Firm Founder Kristie

Prinz provides tips on how to identify bad software contracts in the following Silicon Valley Software Law Blog post:

<http://www.siliconvalleysoftwarelaw.com/signs-you-are-reviewing-a-poorly-written-software-contract>

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## **BiPartisan Bill Introduced in Senate that Seeks to Prevent Attacks on American Cyber-Networks**

The “Protecting Our Ability to Counter Hacking Act of 2017” or “PATCH Act of 2017” has just been introduced in the Senate. For more background on the bill, please check out this Silicon Valley Software Law Blog post:

<http://www.siliconvalleysoftwarelaw.com/bipartisan-bill-introduced-in-senate-that-seeks-to-prevent-attacks-of-american-cyber-networks/>

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## **Negotiating the Purchase of SaaS Company Assets: Key**

# Problems to Consider in Any Deal

If you are like many SaaS companies I see, if you are approached with an asset purchase that interests you, you will be in a hurry to get the deal closed. However, before you move forward, you should want to give the deal serious consideration. What are some of the concerns you should have? The Silicon Valley Software Law Blog addresses these issues in the following blog post:<http://www.siliconvalleysoftwarelaw.com/negotiating-the-purchase-of-saas-company-assets-key-problems-to-anticipate-in-any-deal/>

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## Investigation Reportedly Launched by Department of Justice into Uber's Use of "Greyball" Software

The Department of Justice has launched an investigation into Uber's use of the Greyball software program. For more information on the investigation, please check out the following Silicon Valley Software Law Blog posting on the story:

<http://www.siliconvalleysoftwarelaw.com/investigation-reportedly-launched-by-department-of-justice-into-ubers-use-of->

## **Common Software Fee Drafting Problems and How to Fix Them**

A common problem in software and SaaS agreements is that the fee terms in the contract make no sense. Why is this the case and how do you fix the terms? The Silicon Valley Software Law Blog addresses this issue in the following posting:

<http://www.siliconvalleysoftwarelaw.com/common-software-agreement-fee-drafting-problems-and-how-to-fix-them/>

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## **Does Your Customer Software License or SaaS Agreement Leave Your Company Vulnerable to a Dispute Over Implementation?**

If your company is like most in the software space, your product requires some sort of initial set-up and configuration for customers that in an enterprise scenario can require a significant investment of time and resources. However, many software contracts are silent regarding what is involved in this initial phase of a business relationship, which results

in many disputes. The Silicon Valley Software Law Blog discusses this issue in the following blogpost:

<http://www.siliconvalleysoftwarelaw.com/does-your-customer-software-license-or-saas-agreement-leave-your-software-company-vulnerable-to-a-legal-dispute-over-implementation/>